

# Ngāti Toa School

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## **Kathleen's Kōrero**

Ngā mihi o te tau hou pākehā!

*It has been great getting back into the swing of things and seeing the children reconnecting with their friends and kaiako as well as making new friends. We are also excited to introduce a new addition to our school team - Kelly Goodwin! It was a lovely mihi whakatau on first day where we welcomed all our new students and their whānau and it was special as the staff from Shannon School joined us to officially hand over Kelly to our care. Find out more about Kelly below.*

*Last year we had approval from the Ministry of Education to retain our year 6's for 2024. This year, we are happy to let you know that 10 of our awesome year 6 students from 2023 have chosen to continue their learning journey here at Ngāti Toa School. This is the very first group of intermediate aged students for Ngāti Toa School - exciting times!*

*Our kaumātua, Dr.Taku Parai, this week, gifted a new name for this class "Te Awa Rere". The name has a lovely story behind it that connects with our awa and the flow from here towards Takapūwāhia. Ngā mihi mahana Dr.Taku.*

*Whanaungatanga evening 21st Feb. Staff are looking forward to sharing some kai with our whānau and having a pitopito kōrero about our exciting plans for 2024. It will also be an opportunity to drop into you child's class and have an informal chat with their kaiako. A separate newsletter will be coming out soon with more information.*

*We have lots happening this term so remember to keep an eye on the school calendar.*

*Tēnei te mihi ki a koutou katoa - Kathleen*



Nau mai haere mai ki te kura o Ngāti Toa  
Amy, Braxton, Darius, De'Ranique, Faye, Freyja, Hikurangi, Huia-Atarangi, Karlos, Mikasa, O'Cyrus, Theo, Tūroa-Ruihi, Valkyrie and their whānau.



## Ngā Kaimahi me Kaiāwhina - Teaching Staff for 2024

Tumuaki - Kathleen O'Hare

Tumuaki Tuarua - Crystal Southey Willis

Tumuaki Tuatoru - Judy Cross

Pou Whakahaere ā Tari - Corrina Perenise



### Kaiako

Judy Cross, Yrs 0/1 - Kora, Ruma 5

Jude Nieland, Yrs 2/3 - Kōrekoreko, Ruma 7

Bronwyn Pope, Yrs 2/3 - Hahana, Ruma 8

Cheryl Moeau, Yrs 4/5 - Whakawhetū, Ruma 1

Taylor Tuffery, Yrs 5/6 - Turama, Ruma 9

Crystal Southey-Willis, Yrs 6/7 - Te Awa Rere, Ruma 10

Pearl Freemantle & Jenni McIvor - Release Teachers

### Kaiāwhina

Ivy Reedy, Kanisha Davis, Isayah O'Neill, Rebekah Torea, Olivia

Catanduanes, Kirsty Young, Tracey Cockroft,

Patsy Schwalger (Social Worker), Rose Sawaya (Learning Support Co-ordinator), Kate O'Donnell (RTLiT).

Kia ora koutou

I am the new Awhi Mai Awhi Atu Counsellor & Well-Being Specialist. I was born and raised on the Kapiti Coast and still live there along with Partner, my two daughters, two stepchildren and one grand-daughter.

Also, in our whare we have three cats and three dogs 😊.

I love living by the beach and river and the hills. My whānau and I spend a lot of time exploring our whenua.

I am available Monday-Friday and will be at Ngāti Toa School on Wednesdays and Thursdays. My email is [kelly.goodwin@org.nz](mailto:kelly.goodwin@org.nz).

I am looking forward to meeting all the Tamariki, their whānau and kura community.



### Dates to remember

**16 - 26 Pepūrere**

Bee Healthy Dental visit

**19 -22 Pepūere**

Basketball season begins

Year 4-6 only

Year 7s season-TBC

**21 Pepūere**

Whanaungatanga

Evening

**22 Pepūere**

Juniors-Otari bush walk

**4-14 Maehe**

Swimming Begins

**29 Maehe-2 Apēriira**

Easter Weekend

School closed

**12 Apēriira**

Last day of Term 1

### School Policies and Procedures - SchoolDocs

Please check out the new policy around Cellphones/Digital devices in schools. Our rule here at Ngāti Toa School is that if a student needs to bring a cellphone to school they will give it to their class teacher at the beginning of the day. The phone will be locked away for the day and the student can collect before they go home.

More information on School Docs will be uploaded to Hero.

